

Chatham
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Police
Department

2024 Burglary Briefing



Law Enforcement Partners



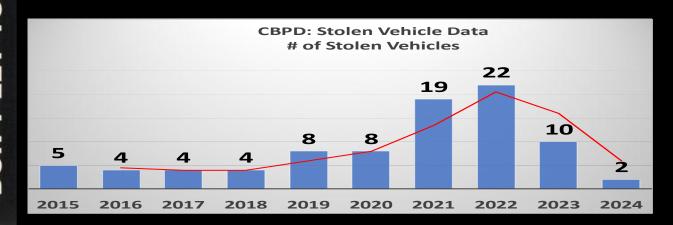
BURGLARY BRIEFING

- The Beginning
- The Present
- The Future



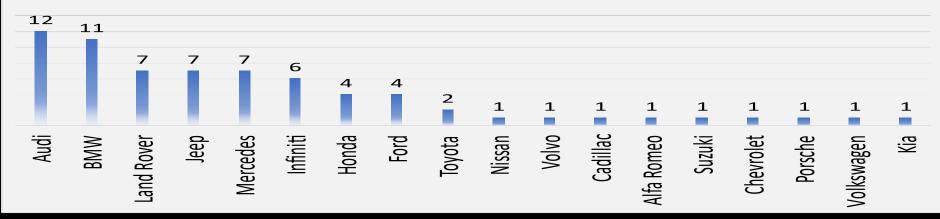
THE BEGINNING

- Morris County saw a dramatic increase in stolen vehicle.
- Starting in 2021...we too saw a significant spike in stolen high-end vehicles.
 - o 2020 8 stolen cars
 - o 2021 19 stolen cars
 - 2022 22 stolen cars
 - 2023 10 stolen cars

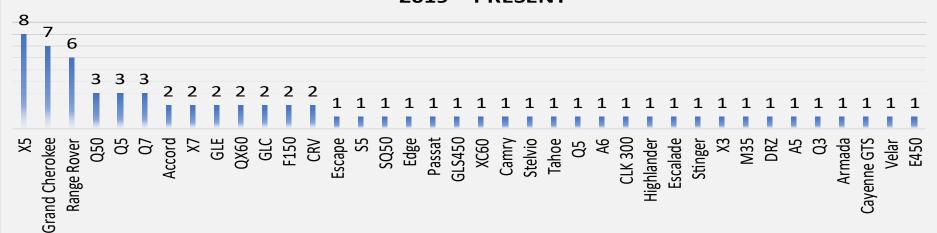


VEHICLES STOLEN

CBPD: STOLEN VEHICLE DATA MAKE OF VEHICLE STOLEN 2019 - PRESENT



CBPD: STOLEN VEHICLE DATA MODEL OF VEHICLE STOLEN 2019 - PRESENT





Our Response

- Chatham Twp PD is nearly identical in response.
- Data driven enforcement:
 - We deployed personnel and equipment supported by County & local analytics to combat this trend.
- ALPRs
 - oHuge statewide network.
- RAVE alert system
 - oInstant alerts on stolen cars & plates.

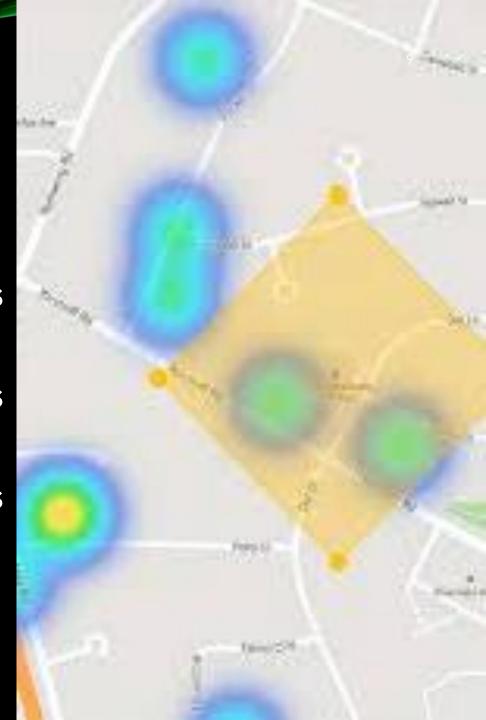
- ATTF Task force details (County & local agencies).
- Developed the Southeast Morris ATTF.
 - Chatham Boro, Chatham Twp, Madison, Florham Park, Morristown, Morris Twp, Hanover, East Hanover & Harding.



- Police Efforts
 - RAVE alerts (Smart 911)
 - **2022-2023 76 alerts**
 - Home & vehicle checks
 - 2022-2024 **96** checks
 - Locked patrol shifts
 - 2023-2024 **51 times**
 - Continues now
 - Decoy cars
 - **2022-2024 293 deployments**



- Directed Patrols
 - o 2022-2024 **905** events
- Proactive Patrol
 - o 2022-2024 **3283** events
- Property checks
 - o 2022-2024 **5710** events
- Selective enforcement
 - o 2022-2024 **3351** events
- MV Stops
 - o 2022-2024 **3080** stops



- Special enforcement details.
 - 2022-2024 69 on stolencars & burglaries.
- Roving ALPR.
- Thermal image cameras.
- Press releases.
 - 02020-2024
 - 10 on burglaries
 - 13 on stolen vehicles



PRESENT

The **PARTNERSHIP** between police & community worked!

- Residents heeded warnings (Locked car doors, removed key fobs, stopped idling in malls, etc.)
- Predictable evolution to failed thefts is home burglaries.
- Suspects pivoted to entering homes for keys.



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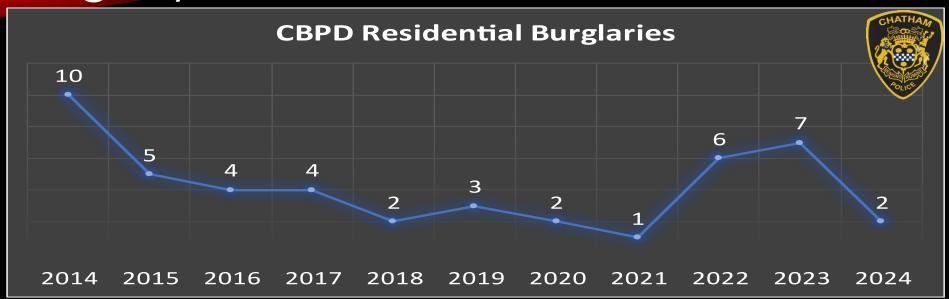
- Police pivoted too
 - Locked patrol shifts
 - Sting operations
 - Special enforcement details
 - ATTF details
 - Directed patrols by zone

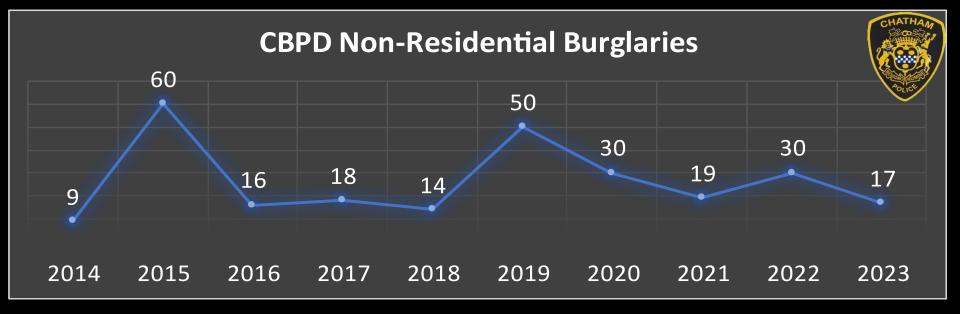
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- Continued cooperation with local, County, State, & Federal law enforcement partners.
 - oTask force work.
 - Crime trends & analysis.
 - oInvestigative intelligence & technology.
- Installing additional ALPRs
 - o1 currently and 1 in 2024.

Burglary Stats

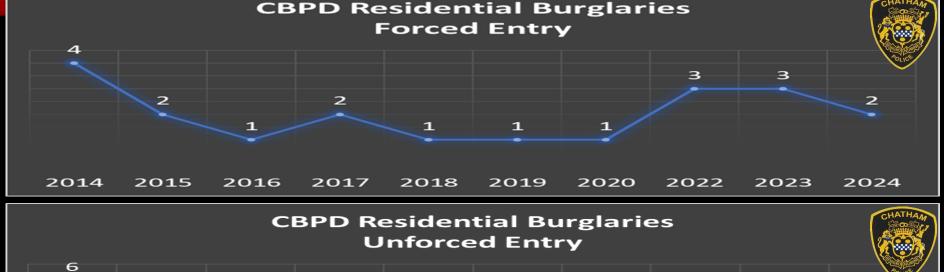
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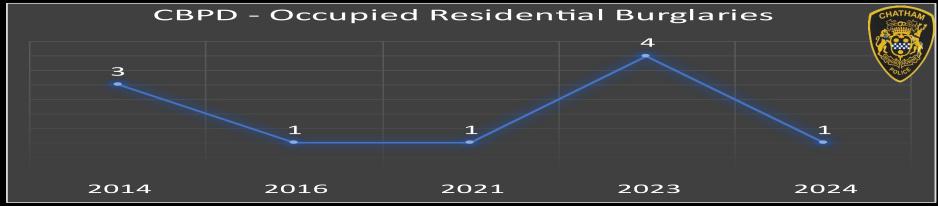


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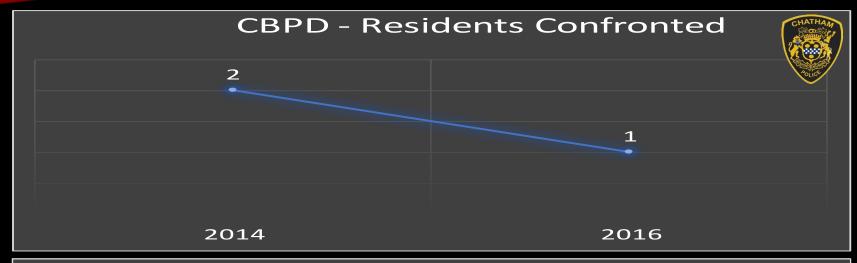






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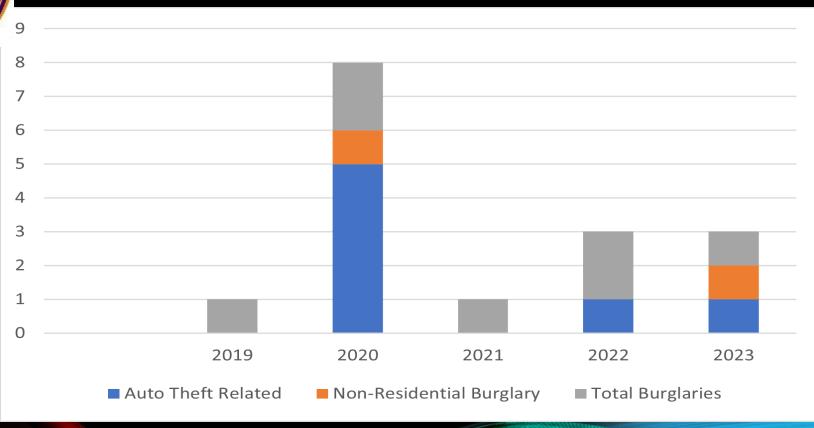
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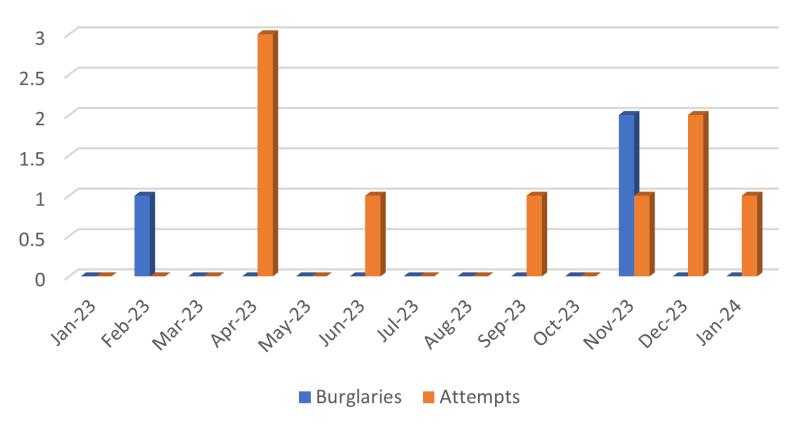
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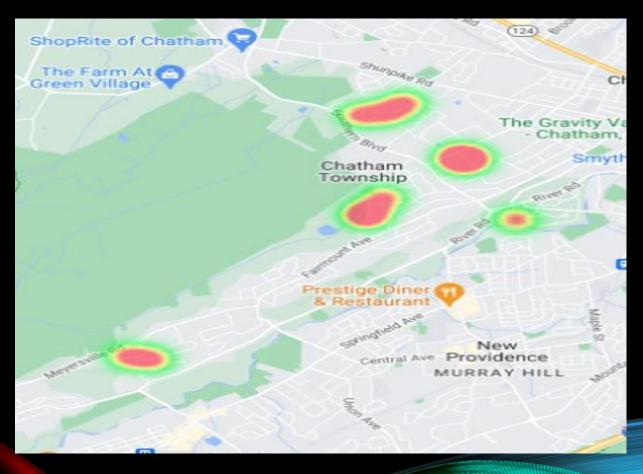


2023 Burglaries and Attempts





CHATHAM TOWNSHIP PD BURGLARY TREND





CHATHAM TOWNSHIP PD 2019 -2023 AUTO THEFT TREND

Offense Trends Report

Beginning Month-Year: Jan - 2019 Ending Month-Year: Dec - 2023

Agency: CHATHAM TWP PD

Municipality: 1405 - Chatham Twsp Offense: 07 - Motor Vehicle Theft



Motor Vehicle Theft

- Continue with all police efforts reported earlier.
- Hiring 2 additional police officers.
- Assigning officer to NJSP ATTF Unit.
- Mutual Aid Cooperation.

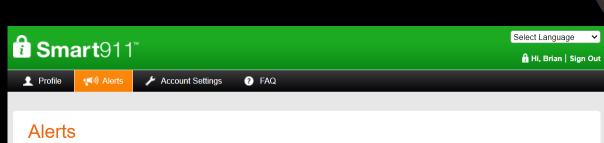
- Overtime & details deployed by zones affected.
 - oData Driven!
- Special enforcement details.
- Pursuit spike strips coming.

Areas for Improvements to Police Operations

- RAVE alert change
 - Crime alerts contemporaneous to incident (within reason) through RAVE (Crime Alert Opt-In).
 - Press releases through RAVE
 - Please signup "Smart 911" by visiting the Borough's website www.chathamborough.org.
- Vacant house (Vacation Watch) advertising and use.
- Crime data released more regularly.







Notification	Text	Voice	Email
☑ Emergency Notifications from NJ-Chatham-Borough	✓	~	~
Road Closure Alerts Sign up to receive timely notifications of local road closures.	~	~	✓
✓ Traffic Opt-In Traffic Notification	~	✓	✓
✓ Severe Weather Opt-In Severe Weather Alerts	~	~	✓
✓ Power Outage Opt-In Power Outage Alerts	~	~	✓
✓ Water Emergency Opt-In Water Emergency Alerts	~	~	✓
✓ Crime Alert Opt-In Crime Alerts	~	✓	✓
Missing Person Opt-In Missing Person Alerts	✓	~	~
Emergency Notifications from Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority	~	~	~
Emergency Notifications from NJ-Morris-County	✓	~	~
☑ Get County Weather Alerts Weather Alerts	~	~	✓

- Resident's PARTNERSHIP Responsibilities
 - Shut & lock garage doors.
 - Lock ALL doors & windows.
 - Lock garage door access to home.
 - Set home alarms daily and nightly.
 - Set alarms to sound immediately at night.
 - Install window break alarms.
 - o Improve outdoor lighting.
 - Cut hedges around windows.

- Sign up for vacant house checks through Vacation Watch online.
- Report suspicious activity.
- Review cameras regularly.
- Set cameras for instant alerts
 - Unique notification sounds.
- RING Neighbors membership.
- Neighborhood watch.
 - o Let your neighbors know when you are gone to keep an eye out!
- Interior lights on timers.
- Vehicle tracking on desired cars.
 - Consider Apple air tags or other tracking devices.

- Support legislation at the State level.
 - Some examples that were or are being considered:
 - Senate bill 2664 MV theft upgraded to 2nd degree crime with reckless driving.
 - Assembly bill 4241 mandatory minimum sentence for employing juveniles in MV theft.
 - Assembly bill 4529 Increases penalties for juveniles involving MV thefts.
 - Assembly bill 4931 creates separate
 offense of MV theft and provides for
 extended sentence for habitual offenders.
 - And more!